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Neighbors Gather to Decide Demolition of Towers

By Marlene Tran

An enthusiastic attendance of more than 200 Visitacion Valley residents Aug. 20 indicated the level of interest and involvement participants have regarding the landmark decision to demolish Geneva Towers.

The large auditorium at Visitacion Valley Community Center (VVCC) was filled up fast as streams of eager people came to see and hear a presentation Thomas Lam, a court interpreter, who was hired at my request to facilitate communication for the majority of the monolingual Chinese audience

Before two smaller July meetings where community leaders were invited to plan and meet with Art Agnos, regional director of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and demolition contractors, I had several meetings and phone conversations with Kathleen Cha, a communication specialist with Imtech Communication of Berkeley, to plan for this bilingual presentation. A presentation Aug. 19 at Church of the Visitacion on Sunnydale Avenue drew fewer than 20 participants.

In addition, I did a lot of outreach work as a guest speaker on a Aug. 15 radio program sponsored by the San Francisco Neighbor' Association to explain the importance of *all* community involvement and especially about this milestone decision for Visitacion Valley.

Since *Channel 26* is the most accessible Chinese news media in the Bay Area, I was very happy to have the opportunity to reach a vast audience and invite interested viewers to attend the Aug. 20 presentation.

Before the 7 p.m. meeting time, throngs of eager residents were crowding around a table in the VVCC courtyard to sign petitions in support of a *Safety Proposal* submitted by the Visitacion Valley Bilingual Education, Supportive Services and Training (VVBESST) to the San Francisco Enterprise Community.

Mrs. Cha began the meeting by welcoming the residents, introducing Art Agnos, the demolition contractors, Mr. Lam\, and members of the Imtech team before thanking me for my outreach work and helping her with arrangements.

Through an interpreter, Mr. Agnos began with a short history of Geneva Towers, the decision of HUD to take over the property, the major decision by HUD and Geneva Towers residents to tear down the twin 20-story highrises and the important demolition decision ahead by residents of the Valley.

Since both Mr. Agnos and I were interviewed by *Channel 26* during the same program, I asked him to elaborate on one of the agreements in the *Memorandum of Understanding* (MOU) reached in January, 1995 between HUD and Geneva Towers residents about a "police substation" and, the promise to have only one police precinct for Visitacion Valley. I was specifically asked to have him elaborate on this promise since in generated a lot of interest from viewers and especially from residents in the southeast sector of San Francisco along with their relatives and friends.

Long accustomed to a high wall of homes in front of them, many Visitacion Valley residents will soon have an unobstructed view.

The truth is that while there are more Asian residents combined in Visitacion Valley and Bayview than there are in Chinatown, there is essentially little or no bilingual services for us.

Mr. Agnos pointed out that while the MOU did not actually specify a police substation, it *clearly stated* that the safety aspect would be addressed as part of the memorandum. I pointed out to him that since the major decision to demolish Geneva Towers was made by HUD and the former residents, there were several positive terms in this agreement that convinced the non-Geneva residents to go along with these key decision-makers.

However, even though the MOU was signed in 1995, the truth is that most of these promises to the peripheral residents have not remotely reached any level of reality. For this reason, I need to set up an appointment set up an appointment with him to address the ongoing concerns of the community that is causing a lot of disharmony in this diverse neighborhood.

Next, the demolition contractors showed a short video of the implosion and wrecking ball methods to the audience. Later, they answered a lot of concerns particularly about the safety and insurance aspects for the residents and their properties. While there was some level of understanding for former Geneva Towers residents to move back to the new complex, there was an overwhelming concern (particularly from amongst the residents who contacted me *personally*) and from participants that these new residents receive stringent security screening for the benefit of their immediate community and for their neighbors.

There were many questions relating to the hiring of Visitacion Valley residents for the new complex.Mr. Agnos and Mr. John Jaeger of Republic Management Services, Inc., said that the revised hiring process would involve hiring 90 percent of local residents. If this is the case, I suggest the job training team make a *real* effort to outreach the sizeable bilingual community as soon as possible and to provide Bilingual Vocational Education programs and job training soon. There were so many inquiries on Aug. 20 that Mr. Agnos had to limit the number of questions from each participant to end the session at about 9 a.m., even though people were still lining up and waiting for more responses.

Before the participants left, they were told how to fill out the circulating demolition preference surveys while being given a list of general questions and answers relating to each demolition process in both English and Chinese. There is also a bilingual hotline set up to take responses from monolingual residents.

While some of those in attendance readily made their decisions and promptly deposited surveys in plastic ballot boxes, others were given a list of key locations where they could later submit the forms. Mrs. Cha complied with requests to arrange a future time and date to have all surveys counted at the VVCC auditorium, a location familiar to the participants.

Survey Finds Internet Vital Teaching Tool by 2000

By the year 2000, there is a good chance that students' backpacks will not be weighed down with numerous textbooks. Instead, it is likely that the Internet will be the preferred educational tool.

A recent national survey of teachers found that within the next three years the Internet will be equal to or more valuable than print materials and videos in the classroom, currently the most useful resource for teachers.

The research, conducted in March 1997 by Axiom Research Company for the International Food Information Council Foundation, surveyed 2,567 fifth through eighth grade teachers in public, private and parochial schools. The survey explored teachers' acceptance of and reaction to the Internet as a method of teaching science, particularly for topics of food and nutrition. An overwhelming 91 percent of the 500 plus responses considered food and nutrition to be appropriate topics for teaching general science or social science issues.

The survey revealed that approximately 79 percent of the teachers have access to the Internet through school or home, and one-half of those without access expect it by the year 2000.

Currently, science teachers tend to have the greatest access to the Internet from school compared to non-science teachers. "This survey confirms what many science teachers predict will become a rich resource for students and teachers with up-to-the-minute science content and linkages for exchanging information undreamed of a few years ago,: said Phyllis Marcuccio, associate executive director for Publications and Membership at the National Science Teachers Association.

The year 2000 seems to be magical year--it is also the year when President Clinton plans to have schools connected to the Internet. The top two benefits teachers believe they might receive from the Clinton Administration's Presidential Technology Initiative were: "the ability to buy or upgrade equipment" and "more or better access to the Internet."

According to Henry Kelly, acting associate director for Technology, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, "The 'Net really does define what's possible, and it allows you to bring more into the classroom. It really is the World Wide Web."

In the recent *Report to the President on the Use of Technology to Strengthen K-12 Education in the United States*, the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology cited possible uses for the Internet inside the classroom. According to the report, "technology can serve as a potentially powerful tool for teachers, who may

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Valley Task Force Elects Officers

With only half its membership present, the Visitacion Valley Task Force (VVTF) elected new officers Aug. 23 to serve two year terms.

VVTF elections, which will normally take place bi-annually in June, were postponed for two months to maximize the number of candidates for nomination. Despite the extra time, virtually all individuals nominated at the July 26 meeting went unchallenged.

Members then voted to change the organization's bylaws, creating a second Chair position and making Vice Chair nominee Don Bertone a candidate for the office. Both Bertone and Joel Tate were then elected VVTF co-chairs, along with Bill Threadgill, Secretary; John King, Treasurer; and Ann Williams, Parlimentarian.

ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY

Task force members passed a motion to evenly divide available Enterprise Community funds into the three existing priority areas: education and training; safety; and community information sharing. The amount for each area would be $34,333.

One opposing vote came from VVTF member Marlene Tran who requested the statement, "This majority doesn't reflect the majority of the community."

Tran had compiled a list of suggested criteria for Enterprise Community proposals and had made copies available to VVTF members at the meeting, but was told the selection process was complete and her input too in the process to be accommodated.

COMPUTERS ACQUIRED

With the Mayor's Office of Community Development acquiring 24 computers and 16 dot matrix printers from the Department of Health and Human Services, four Enterprise Community neighborhoods, including Visitacion Valley, will each be receiving six computers.

COMMUNICATION PROGRAM

Participants in the *Grapevine's* Youth Communication Apprenticeship Program (YCAP) returned surveys in evaluating the program, which was concluded at the end of August. During the last several months, apprentices wrote articles, did research in communications, attended community meetings and home delivered copies of the monthly newspaper.

YCAP also produced a mid-month newsletter, *Grapevine Extra*, and distributed flyers announcing meetings for the Task Force. Through the project, a website was established in July for the *Grapevine*, including separate pages for the VVTF and a business directory of the *Valley Merchants Association*.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Next VVTF meeting is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 27, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at Visitacion Valley Community Center, 50 Raymond Ave.

Visitacion Valley Greenway Holding Potluck Event to Preserve Open Space

Visitacion Valley Greenway has rescheduled its potluck rally and picnic at the SLUG *Community Garden* on Arleta Avenue near Rutland Street for Saturday, Sept. 6 from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

Formerly known as *Friends of Visitacion Valley Parks*, the group is interested in retaining several empty lots to use as community gardens and open space. These plots include several *Reis Tracts* currently owned by the San Francisco Water Department and are adjacent both east and west to Rutland Street between Leland and Tioga Avenues.

Greenway project coordinator Anne Seeman, who continues to advocate for the group, explained that keeping the lots for open space in the midst of housing was a luxury that would benefit everyone in the neighborhood as they helped their community. She stressed that attending the Sept. 6 event was crucial in sending a message to the rest of the City that Visitacion Valley wants to keep its open space.

Seeman also expresses her gratitude to the following organizations for their support of the *Greenway* plan: The Trust for Public Land, S.F. League of Urban Gardeners, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's *Natural Resources Conservation Service*.

Answers to Community Questions Find Implosion Better for Demolition

Although the end result of both implosion and wrecking ball is the same--the demolition of Geneva Towers--the noise, duration and extent of disruption to the community vary greatly. To help local residents assess advantages and disadvantages of both methods, the demolition contractors, Aman Environmental Construction and Controlled Demolition Incorporated (CDI), have addressed the following specific questions:

How long would the demolition of Geneva Towers take if we chose wrecking ball as compared to implosion?

The conventional demolition--the wrecking ball--which knocks down a building using a crane, takes six to eight months, characterized by noise, dust and debris collection. In contrast, implosion is relatively quick. The actual implosion takes less than 15 seconds. Cleanup of surrounding dust is usually completed in four to five hours, with removal of the remaining debris from the building site taking approximately two months.

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Researcher Claims Government Housing Intervention Could be Unconstitutional

By Gerry L. Galvan

Now it can be told...Direct and active involvement of federal, state and city government with housing in Visitacion Valley, or anywhere in the country for that matter, is unconstitutional.

Geneva Towers, as they now stand and the proposed John King Senior Housing are concrete local examples of unconstitutional activity of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Mayor's Office of Housing. Public housing was never envisioned, much less sanctioned by the framers of the fundamental law of the land.

Such truth in the U.S. Constitution was brought to light by Stephen Moore, director of the fiscal policy studies at the Cato Institute in Washington, D.C. He was research director of President Reagan's *Commission of Privatization* and has served many other organizations that keep a close watch on government activities.

In a speech delivered recently on the Hillsdale College campus, he said among other things, "The Founders did not create a Department of Commerce, a Department of Education, or a Department of Housing and Urban Development..."

Moore's speech criticizes, in no uncertain terms, the federal government's propensity to trample upon the U.S. Constitution by creating HUD. Public housing, according to Moore, is a slap on the face of the *founding fathers*. "The federal government has no authority to pay money to *anyone* wanting to build houses, parking garages, tennis courts and swimming pools."

Moore's remarks were printed in the July 1997 issue of *Imprimis*, official publication of Hillsdale College, copies of which were sent to your reporter for dissemination to the public, including Visitacion Valley residents.

Meanwhile, scaffolding jobs at Geneva Towers appear to be in full swing. The Towers have been scheduled to come down during the first quarter of 1998.

John King Senior Housing, projected to rise on the property at 500 Raymond Ave., will be constructed on schedule.

A projected community meeting set for Aug. 23 at St. James Presbyterian Church was canceled by Mercy Charities Housing at the last minute and rescheduled for Sept. 6.

This reporter has launched a self-imposed crusade to seek and expose the truth in Visitacion Valley.

Grapevine Mailbox

Fair Representation In New Housing

Following is a letter sent Aug 15 by the Visitacion Valley Asian's Alliance to Dara Kovel of Mercy Charities Housing who is project manager of a senior development currently being proposed for 500 Raymond Ave.

Dear Ms. Kovel:

I am writing about the increasing concern of many people in Visitacion Valley regarding the proposed senior center at 500 Raymond Ave.

First, I must emphasize that *every group* in the community *wants* to have an expanded center for our growing senior population, but its planning and development *must* include the *diverse ethnic and ratio representation* of Visitacion Valley residents because this is mainly a *public-funded project* intended for our community.

At the March 18, 1997 meeting I requested on behalf of the Asian residents, Amy Bayley, who represented Mercy Charities, received a list of ten written questions and concerns plus oral queries from about 100 of those who were in attendance at 50 Raymond Avenue. Through her interpreter, Ms. Bayley promised to respond to them in a timely manner. Then when the Visitacion Valley Task Force met on March 21, 1997, Mr. King surprised me by saying he knew nothing about this said meeting. I readily offered him the same list and also asked him for his response in writing. *Five months have elapsed and neither of you has given me any oral or written indication* as to what you have done to address the 10 or more concerns we submitted to you. I am retyping the same list at the end of this letter for both of you so you can respond more readily this time.

When I had phone conversations with Ms. Annie Chung of *Self-Help for the Elderly* and Ms. Jennie Chin Hensen of *On Lok Senior Center*, both CEO's told me that *neither* of your organizations had contacted them about any of the concerns and recommendations our group made on March 18, 1997 via Amy Bayley. In subsequent community meetings community meetings in March and April, I had personally approached Dara and Amy and asked for translated minutes (because of the very sizeable number of English-handicapped residents in Visitacion Valley). Again, *none* of us received any communications from either of your organizations since. In the meantime, there have been reports in our community newspaper, the *grapevine*, that you have *ongoing developmental meetings* about this senior project.

Please respond to the following *additional* questions including the 10 others we gave you on March 18, 1997:

1) We want to know *why* you have not involved active Asian community members at the decision-making and especially at the developmental and administrative levels.

2) Given that this is a multimillion dollar project, there *must be* real and meaningful dialogues amongst active community people for an extended period of time. Since there have not been any minutes (with Chinese translations) from any of the meetings, how can participants provide meaningful input for this process?

3) Has either of your organizations conducted any bilingual surveys to find out the *real needs* of the elderly in Visitacion Valley?

4) *When* will you involve other senior centers from Chinatown because they have better understanding of our bilingual seniors?

5) Since *no* senior program in Visitacion Valley has any bilingual outreach, what plans do you have to provide this important service?

6) Last year, when our ESL program was funded by the Enterprise Community for Visitacion Valley, we *set aside* a *major* portion of our budget to provide transportation especially for our seniors. David Wiener, the former Beacon director, and Julie Kavanagh, director of Visitacion Valley Community Center, have both approached Mr. King to provide such services but with no result. Why? Unfortunately, we have been told to use *only* neighborhood resources. As a result of safety problems and the lack of much needed transportation, our student enrollment *drops* every year around late September. It is a great pity because *senior students* have to fend for themselves every night on their way home, and so many of them *desperately* need to learn English to pass the Citizenship exams.

7) Since there is *no bilingual* outreach from senior programs in Visitacion Valley, many of our ESL students and residents are relying on *me* and my assistant for non-academic help. *It is not fair* that there have *not* been any *real attempts* to access and outreach such a sizeable group of non-and-limited English speakers, yet public funding is *leveraged* using our low-economic status.

8) *None* of the ESL seniors we serve have ever been able to use the van service of the John King Senior Center even for para transit services. His center is said to have the largest fleet of vans serving seniors in San Francisco. Do you have *bilingual* dispatchers? If not, how can those who *qualify* (but are English handicapped) *access* the service?

At this time I also want to *clarify and emphasize two pertinent points*:

a) There was a *malicious accusation* that I was the one who *started* a petition in January, 1997 against the proposed senior center at 500 Raymond Avenue. The *truth* is, I never knew about the neighbors who *opposed* this project until we met at the first community meeting at the Visitacion Valley Elementary School in February of this year. Apparently, they agreed with many of the issues we presented to you. Then we began to work in collaboration. Of course, if both of your organizations *insist on ignoring our concerns, we will generate strong opposition that will attract national attention!*

b) Supervisor Leland Yee phoned me last year because he was *given the impression* by someone from your groups that I *knew* about the plans for the senior center, and that I was *involved* with it. This is a *lie!! I* have *never* been personally contacted, orally or in writing, about anything involving this senior center all these years!! At the meeting at the Village this year, I double-checked with Supervisor Yee *in front of* Dara about this *totally misleading information* and he was told that I would be told about the matter *later!!* Supervisor Yee said that by so doing it would be like putting the cart before the horse because I should be informed first!! I will be very *persistent* to pursue anyone or group who uses *my name* to lend support to any of *their* activities *without my consent*. If this constitutes fraud, I will gather evidence to prove this.

I am retyping the list of 10 concerns and questions we presented to Amy Bayley and John King in March, 1997.

Informational Meeting on March 18, 1997 at 50 Raymond (reprint)

1) Since Asians constitute the *majority* od residents in Visitacion Valley and we have a sizeable senior population, we welcome a senior center *provided* we have full input of *all stages* of the development and programs specifically planned for the non-and-limited English seniors and handicapped individuals.

2) Since the John King Center is involved with this proposed development, we want to know what kind of bilingual personnel and programs he has in his present facility. If there is *no* good tract records, *how can we count on his group to plan for us?*

3) Since Mr. King has been a member of the Visitacion Valley Task Force from the *beginning*, he should have kept the community informed of his proposal from the start and to make *genuine and effective attempts to solicit our input*. If we *only* found out through the newspapers and during the Task Force meeting in January, 1997, then we *cannot understand* his proposal enough to give input. Therefore, we ask that Mr. King *involve* a senior center from Chinatown because any of these organizations has a better understanding of the Asian needs. If these groups are involved, we feel *confident* that they can *better plan* for us.

4) The proposal *site* at 500 Raymond is *not a good choice* because of the street slopes. It is not close to public transportation nor is it in a safe location.

5) We want to have bilingual minutes of every meeting so we can follow the development and input by the attendees. If we write our input in Chinese, will you give us feedback also in Chinese?

6) Since Dara told us at the March 15, 1997 meeting that out of 280 surveys to former Geneva Towers residents, your group only received 30-35 responses so far, this means not many of these residents are interested in returning to our community. Then all future housing developments must involve our residents as well. *How many* senior citizens from Geneva Towers have expressed interest in returning?

7) How many of your developmental team members are Asians? How many active Asian board members will you invite to serve from our community? What are the criteria for your selection?

8) If $9.6 million dollars are from federal, state and City funding, *why is Mr King's name proposed for this center?* Our community must *select our own name!!*

9) This meeting is only an *informational* meeting for us to hear your proposal and to hear your responses to some of our questions. Please do *not* plan to use our responses as an agreement to any specific plan locations or ideas. We do *not have enough information to give the appropriate suggestions until* we hear from an organization that represents seniors from Chinatown. Again, we *don't* want this meeting to indicate we have heard and approved of any plans until we get the *right representation* for our group.

10) Besides this meeting, we heard you also planned others on Saturday mornings. This is *not* a convenient time for many of us because many work at least six days a week. *Can you give us bilingual surveys so we can respond accordingly?*

We hope that you will address the content of this letter and discuss it between your organizations very seriously. Please send us your *written responses within 1 days from the date of this letter*. We have *waited five months*, and we do *not* intend to wait indefinitely. By ignoring our repeated requests, you will give residents more doubt that your organizations will be able to handle this multimillion dollar project to the satisfaction of our community and the different funding sources.

Yours sincerely,
Marlene Tran
VVAA spokesperson

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FTB Goes After Those Not Filing Taxes for 1995

Most people filed their 1995 tax returns over a year ago. Most, but not all. Nearly $250 million worth of tax assessments are in the mail to 90,000 individuals who have yet to file their 1995 tax return, according to the Franchise Tax Board (FTB).

The 1995 state income tax returns were due back in April 1996. Since California has an automatic six month extension to file, the returns were not delinquent until October 1996. After that date, FTB sorted through approximately 200 million income records and matched them against the tax returns filed. Individuals who had not filed were sent a letter asking for their cooperation and their return. Taxpayers who still did not file after the letter are now receiving the tax assessments.

This is FTB's second round of nonfiler enforcement activity for 1995. In March, 140,000 individuals received tax assessments worth $300 million for not filing state tax returns.

For those who have questions about filing or paying their taxes, FTB offers assistance, toll free, by calling their FAST (Fast Answers about State Taxes) phone service at 1-800-338-0505. Free tax help is also available on the Internet at http://www.ftb.ca.gov

Sunnydale and Valley Forgotten in Press?

Editor:

I have come in contact with many of the residents of Sunnydale housing and find that no one is aware of your newspaper. From what I gather, the papers never leave the office. I know you can't *make* anyone read the paper but if they are made aware, I am sure some of the residents would like to read them. I have taken it upon myself to make sure that those interested got your latest paper dated August. There were articles I felt the residents needed to be aware of on Geneva Towers.

It is really sad that Sunnydale is never mentioned in your paper and it seems to me that they have truly been forgotten. Not only have they been forgotten by the papers, they have also been neglected by the City. The needs of Sunnydale residents are not pretty buildings on the outside but better yet, what changes welfare reform is going to have on their lives and families.

Talking with the residents and seeing that no one is interested in assisting the mothers that cannot leave their homes to have a resume set up and have access to some type of job listing that could assist them is what I am interested in doing.

I have faxed memos to the Mayor's Office and received a call from his secretary. She informed me what to do as far as getting started with my project. I began by tacking up flyers and putting them in mailboxes around the neighborhood. There are a lot of residents interested in what I am trying to accomplish and I would like to be able to assist in this matter.

So why is Sunnydale forgotten, as well as the Visitacion Valley area?

Mrs. Joann Sereal

Grapevine staff applauds Mrs Sereal in assisting her neighbors in need as well as directing copies of the newspaper, which is readily available at dozens of locations in Visitacion Valley and at Sunnydale Tenants Assocation We feel neither Visitacion Valley nor Sunnydale are forgotten areas of a City which has, and continues to assist many local programs in the neighborhood

High School is a Whole New World

By Joyce Tam

A Whole New World?

That is one of the most common questions asked by teenagers ascending to high school from middle school. Many middle school graduates worry about leaving their usual environment to step into the unknown, the new life of being a high school freshman.

I've only attended my future school for the summer, but from my point of view, it is pretty different from what I am used to. For one thing, the thousands of new faces scurrying up and down the hallways to get to their classes are pretty scary. Most of the people are older than me, so I get this feeling of being a child once again. That feeling is not unlike the one I had in my first year at Visitacion Valley Middle School.

Another change is being bombarded by the unique and unexpected homework assignments. The teachers in high school must see us with a different perspective. One of my teachers gave our class

three to four days to memorize a few Spanish dialogues. We had to understand them and recite the dialogues in front of the class with a partner. Our homework was to answer Spanish questions in Spanish on a piece of paper. And that was for a Humanities class.

So know that no matter what the subject is, you may be required to learn about something totally different than what you had in mind.

High school is no joke; not at all. If a teacher says something, they mean it. Do not underestimate a teacher's will to stick to their word! In high school, if the teacher says there is a test on Friday, then you'd better expect it. It will not be an easy task getting them to change their mind.

Also, the students' point of view of school change. They are much more responsible for their own education. At Lowell, I see students sit outside their classrooms doing work or studying while waiting for the their teachers to show up. You may see a teacher show up late more often than seeing a student show up late! But we have to care about our education because the teachers are not always on our backs about getting things done. It is the students' responsibility and everyone knows that and accepts the fact The many clubs in high school let you experience more things. They let you find out more about what you like to do and help you to be well rounded.

So I do think high school is not like middle school. But that can be a good thing because in this world, everyone has to learn to adapt. This is one of the many examples of doing so in life.

Joyce Tam is a member of the Youth Communication Apprenticeship Workshop

..AT THE RANDALL MUSEUM

Sign-ups begin 12:30 for 1 p.m. classes. Space is limited. No organized groups please. Some spaces can be reserved for members–call 554-9600 for information. *Young Audiences Arts Card* holders receive a 2 for 1 discount. $4-10 a person sliding scale. Adults must accompany children under 8.

SEPT 6: *Fantasy Animals*: Construct animals out of cardboard tubing.

SEPT 13: *Playground Physics*: Explore physics and study gravity.

SEPT 20: *Japanese Paper Dolls*: Make dolls with a simple step-by-step process.

SEPT 27: *Forests of the Sea*: Learn about the kelp forest; *Habitat and Native Grassland*: Join experts in removing invasive exotic plants.

FREE ON SATURDAYS

Meet the Animals Talk at 11 a.m.; *Animal Feeding* at 12 noon; *Model Railroad Exhibit* on second and fourth Saturday, 12:30 to 5 p.m.

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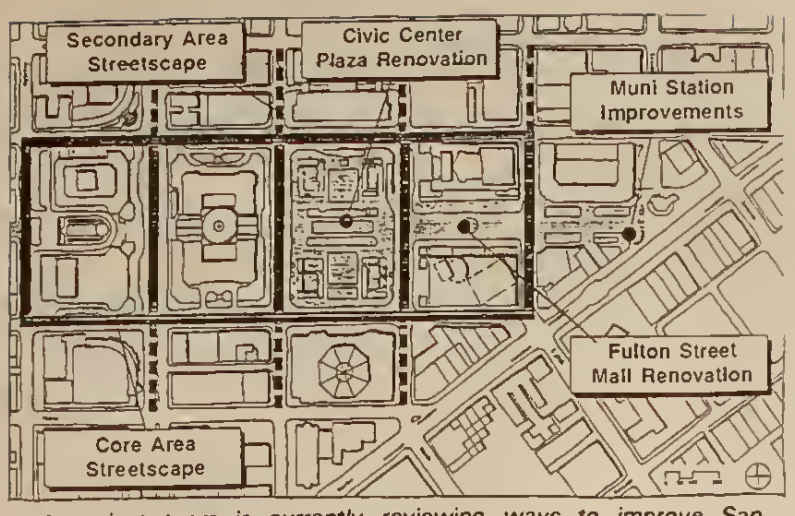

A project team is currently reviewing ways to improve San Francisco's Civic Center.

Improvements in the Works for Civic Center

The Department of Public Works is leading a multi-agency project team to implement long-term improvements to San Francisco's Civic Center Historic District. The goal of this multi-agency project team is to resurrect the original 1912 Beaux Art design of the Civic Center while incorporating modern 21 century uses.

In addition to Public Works, the project team will include: Department of Parking and Traffic, Recreation and Park Commission, Planning Commission, Art Commission, and the Public Utilities Commission.

A major component of this project is outreach, with public input included during every stage of the design and implementation process. Included will be public hearings, design workshops and project update presentations.

S.F. State Ranks High In Number of Students Joining Peace Corps

San Francisco State University (SFSU) ranks 17th among all U.S. colleges and universities producing Peace Corps volunteers, according to Peace Corps Director Mark Gearan in a recent letter to SFSU President Robert A. Corrigan

Among the 23 campuses of the California State University system, S.F. State ranks the first in the number of Peace Corps volunteers among its alumni, and is first among non Ph.D. granting universities nationwide.

In the Peace Corps' 36-year history, 1,044 S.F. State alumni have joined the Peace Corps. In 1999, S.F. State will celebrate its 100th year of service to San Francisco and the Bay Area.

"Throughout its history, the Peace Corps can trace much of its success to the energy and idealism of American college students," wrote Gearan in his letter to Corrigan.

FAMILY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Following is a September schedule for the Family Community Partnership Program of the American Red Cross, 1704 Sunnydale Ave. 584-3620.

**Black Expo Event:* Sept. 6, 7 at Oakland Convention Center. Call 584-3620 for free admission details.

**Bookmobile:* 2 p.m. in front of 1704 Sunnydale Ave.

**Intake:* 9 a.m.-12 noon Sept. 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 26, 29

**Orientation for New Clients:* 10:30 a.m.

Children Important in Air Bag Campaign

A leading manufacturer of infant and juvenile products recently announced it has joined the *Air Bag Safety Campaign* in an effort to inform the public about the value and potential risks of air bags, as well as the proper ways to keep people, especially children, safe in motor vehicles.

Evenflo Company, Inc. has begun attaching an *Air Bag Safety Campaign* card to each of their infant and convertible seats. This card instructs consumers on how to properly use car seats, and displays illustrations of where not to place infants and toddlers. Cards are also being inserted into all outgoing consumer mail, with information being made available to more than two million people annually.

"At Evenflo, we are dedicated to working with the National Safety Council to help educate our consumers about how crucial it is to properly make use of infant and toddler car seats," said George Harris, president of Evenflo. "It is important that everyone understands that children under 12 years of age should ride buckled up in a rear seat only."

Recent news reports about children who have died from the force of deploying air bags have raised questions in the public's mind about their safety. In many of these cases, children were riding in the front passenger seat.

Harris urges consumers to adhere to the following additional safety tips while driving:

*Small children should always ride in a rear seat in child safety seats approved for their age and size.

*Check your vehicle owner's manual and the instructions provided with your child safety seat for correct use information.

*All passengers and the driver should buckle up with both lap and shoulder belts on every trip.

*Driver and front passenger seats should be moved as far back as practical, particularly for shorter stature people.

For more information on the *Air Bag Safety Campaign*, call Evenflo toll free at 1-800-233-5921.

Youth Summit Will Discuss Topics for Economic Justice

A *Youth for Economic Justice Summit* of, by and for youth interested in issues of unemployment, economic insecurity, the growing gap between the wealthy and poor, and how young people are impacted by global economy will be held Saturday, Sept. 6 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at New College, 766 Valencia St. Call 928-1205 for more information.

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September Means Phone Book Recycling; Compost Bins Again for Sale

By David Assmann
S.F. Recycling Program

San Francisco residents have a number of opportunities this month to help prevent waste and increase recycling. One of the easiest is to recycle your old phone directories. More than 1.2 million phone books will be delivered in San Francisco during September, making 1.2 million old phone books obsolete. Fortunately, however, these books can enjoy a new life as a useful product (like a new phone book, a recycled cereal box, or building insulation) if residents participate in San Francisco's ninth annual phone book recycling campaign.

If you have curbside recycling service, just put the phone books in a paper bag with your other paper recyclables and put them out with your blue bin. If you live in an apartment building with central recycling bins, you can put the phone books in the gray recycling bin for paper. If you live in an apartment building without recycling, you can take your books to a recycling center. Call the San Francisco Recycling Program Hotline at 554-RECYcle (7329) for information on the center nearest you. Businesses can call the hotline for information on a list of recycling centers that accept phone books.

This year, the new books contain an average of 40 percent recycled post consumer content. That means at least 40 percent of the material used to manufacture this year's telephone books came from old newspapers, magazines, and yes, old telephone books. By including 40 percent recycled post consumer content in the books, Pacific Bell' has saved 18,500 trees, 4.4 million kilowatt hours of energy and almost 8 million gallons of water for San Francisco's books alone.

Our goal this year is to recycle 2.5 million pounds of telephone books citywide (that's half of all the phone books delivered in San Francisco). If we reach that goal, we'll have one of the highest phone book recycling rates in the country (the nationwide average is about 11 percent).

September is also the month for our annual reduced rate home compost bin sale. If you've ever thought about getting a compost bin for your back yard, this may be one of your best opportunities to do so. On Saturday, September 27th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (or until the bins are sold out), we'll be selling $99 Earth Machine compost bins for only $19.50 to San Francisco residents. The bin comes with a free book on composting and information about free workshops. We'll be holding educational presentations throughout the day at the sale site (at the Garden for the Environment--located at 7th and Lawton in the Sunset District).

Composting is one of the easiest ways to reduce waste and allows you to turn food, yard and garden waste into the perfect soil amendment for houseplants and gardens. Last year we sold out of bins by early afternoon, so we suggest you come early. This event is sponsored in cooperation with the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners (SLUG), and you can get additional information by calling SLUG at 285-7585.

If you don't have a back yard, you can still compost your food scraps in a *Warm Factory*, which will also be available at the compost bin sale. This high quality worm bin, perfect for apartments, is available for only $21.50.

Door to door pick-up of yard and food waste may also be around the corner for many San Francisco households. For a number of weeks, selected households in the Sunset, Noe Valley and Twin Peaks neighborhoods have been participating in a test program to collect yard waste and food scraps. If this program is successful, we'll be able to expand it to other neighborhoods. If you're in the test area, you will already have received your bins and instruction materials. Please participate so we can expand the program to other areas.

Finally, if you're connected to the Internet, you may wish to check out our newly redesigned web site. Located at www.sfrecycle.org, the site gives viewers a range of options for information about waste prevention and recycling at home, work or school. For example, in the home section, viewers can obtain environmental shopping tips, information about waste prevention during the holidays and a list of what's recyclable in San Francisco. In the school section, educators and students can access our latest newsletter, get listings of resources, play an interactive Recycling Heros game and obtain information on how to set up a school recycling program. The site also provides background information about different recyclable materials.

Visitacion Valley Grapevine Now on the Internet Along with Task Force Meeting Updates and a Merchants Association Listing of Valley Businesses

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STOP !!! LOOK !!! LISTEN !!!

Residents of Visitacion Valley! The winds of change are blowing! With the new welfare reform bill soon to be in effect, the staff of the Visitacion Valley Job, Education and Training Program is available to prepare those that require guidance and assistance to enter the world of work. All services are free of charge.

*MAKE YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCE PLEASANT
*MAKE FRIENDS WITH THE COMPUTER
*REMEMBER, YOU ARE THE PRODUCT. SELL YOURSELF THROUGH AN EFFECTIVE RESUME
*LEARN TO COPE WITH CONTROL, STRESS AND ANGER
*TRAIN FOR ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, CONSTRUCTION OR TRADE POSITIONS
*COMMUNICATE WITH PEERS IN REAL LIFE SKILL SESSIONS
*ONE-ON-ONE PERSONALIZED COUNSELING AND REFERRAL
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SAN FRANCISCO LEAGUE OF URBAN GARDENERS

7th and Lawton in the Sunset District (Across from the Garden For The Environment) Bins must be picked up at sale

Wrexking Ball vs. Implosion Q and A

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What effects will I feel from demolition by wrecking ball as opposed to implosion?

The wrecking ball produces a resounding, pounding sensation throughout surrounding neighborhoods. At the same time, residents also hear backup beepers and feel frequent vibrations caused by construction vehicles operating over a several month period.

With implosion, those just outside the security perimeter may experience a pulse-like sensation from the air-blast generated during detonation. This sensation is enhanced by the noise you hear simultaneously with seeing the building collapsing. The actual resulting ground vibration is virtually imperceptible to a human; it lasts 15 seconds.

Which method of demolition is safer for the community?

Demolition by wrecking ball is performed over a long period of time. Because of its duration, there is a greater likelihood of accidents involving both workers and residents due to the accidental fall of debris. Since implosion requires very little time, the potential for accidents is minimized. To ensure safety, on the day of the implosion, a strong security force is assigned and residents are evacuated from the immediate implosion area for two hours. In this particular case, residents would vacate only the first row of houses surrounding Geneva Towers.

How much dust will be generated by each demolition method? How long will the dust persist after the buildings come down?

Both demolition methods, wrecking ball and implosion, produce the same quantity of dust. Following implosion, dust generally accumulates within 75 to 125 feet around the base of the structure. The direction and speed of wind at the time of implosion dictate how far the airborne dust will spread. Unlike the wrecking ball process, dust caused by an implosion occurs at one "predetermined time," which helps controllers prepare and take precautionary measures to protect residents and the surrounding environment. Similar measures are not possible using a wrecking ball, since the dust is continually generated over a long period of time.

What is the implosion safety area? How will implosion impact nearby homes and streets? Will residents have to evacuate?

Before implosion, a safety perimeter is established. Based on prior experience, it is estimated that the perimeter of the radius would be approximately 600 to 700 feet. Following completion of a detailed field study, this radius may later be adjusted to guarantee the safety of all employees and residents. On the day of the implosion, residents closest to the demolition site--within 600-700 feet of the buildings--will need to leave their homes for about two hours. Other nearby residents and shop owners will be instructed to close windows and turn off air conditioning units to keep dust out of their buildings.

What is the seismic stability of the Geneva Towers area?

An implosion does *not* trigger a seismic event, like an earthquake. Their are air vibrations from the noise, but there is so little below ground movement that you can not get a reading on a Richter Scale which measures movement.

Who is responsible for any damages caused by the implosion?

Damage to adjacent structures is highly unlikely. Should damage occur as a direct and immediate result of the implosion, the demolition contractor would pay for the repairs. Photographs and a detailed survey will be taken of adjacent properties prior to and immediately following the implosion. These two inspections will promptly identify any problems which may have been caused by the implosion. It should be noted that the demolition contractors have an unparalleled safety and success record, with no record of injury to workmen or to the public during implosion operations. They are accustomed to working in highly congested, urban areas, including public housing facilities.

Forum on Creating Jobs for City Residents

When in comes to creating accessible, quality jobs for San Francisco residents, the conventional wisdom of our political leaders is, "Let the market decide." This really means, "Who cares?"

Left to its own the private sector has, over the last 15 years, eliminated thousands of middle-income jobs, and created a local economy sharply divided between high-salaried and low-wage workers.

A public forum on creating new, living-wage jobs sponsored by San Franciscans for Tax Justice will explore options for creating jobs on Saturday, Sept. 13, 9:30-11:30 a.m at S.F. Main Library's Koret Auditorium. Admission is free.

Recycling Program Awards More Than Half Million to Bay Area Organizations

The San Francisco Recycling Program has awarded more than half a million dollars to non-profit organizations and businesses to set up and expand innovative programs to reduce waste. Grants awarded include:

*$9,360 to the Children's Book Project to collect books from individuals, organizations and publishers, and distribute the books to schools, shelters and day care facilities.

*$23,168 to Ecology Action to conduct waste assessments for 50 San Francisco businesses and help them evaluate, set up and expand waste prevention and recycling programs.

*$16,795 to the RACORSE Network to collect reusable healthcare equipment (such as wheelchairs) and distribute this equipment for reuse.

*$63,460 to the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners (SLUG) for the operation and promotion of a facility for residents and landscapers to take prunings, branches and hedge clippings for composting.

*$3,990 to the Treasure Island Homeless Development Initiative to assess the feasibility of deconstructing buildings targeted for demolition and reusing materials from these buildings.

Applications for grants for 1997-98 will be available in September. Organizations can call 554-3400 for an application form.

Breastfeeding Products Are Designed with the Modern Mom in Mind

Remember the days when most women stopped working to raise a family? Well, the times have changed. More and more women are going back to work just weeks after having a baby, facing many dilemmas as a result.

One of these dilemmas is whether or not to breastfeed their baby. On one hand, mothers want what is best for their babies--the benefits of their breast milk. On the other hand, many women are reluctant to deal with the reactions of co-workers to breastfeeding.

Others may be under the misconception that expressing their milk into a bottle to later give to their baby is the equivalent of feeding them formula. However, research has shown that this is not the case. For example:

*According to Rona Cohen, a clinical assistant professor at the UCLA School of Nursing, breast-fed babies have 35 percent fewer illnesses than bottle-fed babies.

*Cohen also found that nursing mothers have 27 percent fewer absences from work.

*Kaiser Permanente estimates that a formula-fed baby will incur $1,435 more in doctor bills than a breast-fed baby.

To help working mothers succeed personally and professionally, Evenflo, one of the nation's leading baby care and manufacturers, has designed a line of products with the modern mom in mind.

Operating with an adaptor or batteries, a *Deluxe Breast Pump Kit* comes with a two-compartment tote for storing and to help keep breast milk chilled for transport. A lightweight, battery-operated *Portable Breast Pump* features a swivel horn allowing for rotation, enabling the most comfortable pumping position.

With an adjustable shoulder strap and outside storage pocket, an insulated *Express and Chill Tote* can keep milk cold.

Book Review

The Road to El Dorado by Craig J. Carrozzi (Southern Trails Publishing, San Francisco, 1997) 440 pgs.; $19.95; 1-800-247-6553

Local author Craig Carrozzi refers to his third book, *The Road to El Dorado*, as autobiographical fiction, as it is based on a true story of his experience as a Peace Corp Volunteer working in a Colombian juvenile prison during the late 1970s.

The theme and unifying element--El Dorado, the mythical land of gold sought and died for by numerous conquistadors and adventurers--is that blind seeking after material wealth is an absurd path that more often leads to catastrophe than to a better way of life.

Now living in the Portola district, Carrozzi is a native San Franciscan who grew up in the Mission District. Living in the heart of the City, he quickly developed an appreciation for various cultures. After graduating from California State University in Hayward and joining the Peace Corps, his travels took him to Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela, and Brazil, where he lived for six months while studying Portuguese.

Main character in *The Road to El Dorado* is Vachio, a street-wise individual with plenty of attitude who weathers the ups and downs of his Peace Corps experience with cutting humor and a resilient personality. Working in a prison in a small cowboy town, Vachio becomes so confused by the ambiguities of his position that he begins to lose faith in himself and those around him.

"My love of books inspired my love of writing," said Carrozzi who had a previous work on the Amazon River, *Wedding of the Waters*, serialized in the *Grapevine*.

Crossword Solution
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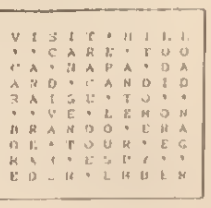

Geneva Towers

How It Comes Down Is Up to You!

Yes you. As a resident of Visitacion Valley, you DO have a say in how HUD demolishes Geneva Towers. Just as you influenced the recent decision to replace this complex with new homes.

Should we use a wrecking ball or implosion to take down the towers?

Both work. The wrecking ball--which knocks down a building using a crane--involves six to eight months of noise, dust and dump trucks. Consequently, air quality could be compromised.

Implosion occurs within 15 seconds, causing a building to collapse inward and down. Its short duration allows for quick dust containment with removal of remaining building debris taking approximately 2 months.

So what will it be? Wrecking ball or implosion. You decide.

HUD (your Department of Housing and Urban Development) is asking you to complete the petition below and drop it off at one of the following locations:

- Bank of America- 8 Leland Avenue
- Visitacion Valley Library- 46 Leland Avenue
- Visitacion Valley Pharmacy- 100 Leland Avenue
- 7-11 Store- 2200 Bayshore Avenue
- El Rancho Supermarket- 2665 Geneva Avenue
- The Village- 333 Schwerin
- Visitacion Valley Community Center- 50 Raymond Avenue
- Samoan Community Development Center- 2055 Sunnydale
- John King Senior Center, 590 Leland Avenue

GENEVA TOWERS DEMOLITION PETITION
日內瓦樓塔拆除建議表格

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Signature _____ Date _____

If under age 18, please state your age _____

Please check preference: ❑ **Wrecking Ball** 鐵球撞擊法 ❑ **Implosion** 爆破法

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Boz Who?

Match quotes to speakers

1. "There is no avoiding war. It can only be postponed to the advantage of others."
2. "I am not an adventurer by choice, but by fate."
3. "There is only one step from the sublime to the ridiculous."
4. "If you want to know about a man, you can find out an awful lot by looking at who he married."
5. "A poet can survive anything but a misprint."
6. "Science is all metaphors."
7. "I hate housework. You make the beds, you do the dishes--and six months later you have to start all over again."
8. "That's what show business is--sincere insincerity."
9. "Consumers are statistics. Customers are people."

A. Timothy Leary
B. Joan Rivers
C. Niccolo Machiavelli
D. Stanly Marcus
E. Benny Hill
F. Kirk Douglas
G. Napoleon Bonaparte
H. Vincent Van Gogh
I. Oscar Wilde

Answers: 1-C; 2-H; 3-G; 4-F; 5-I; 6-A; 7-B; 8-E; 9-D.

This Month in S.F. History

SEPTEMBER

1: In 1868, the De Young brothers' Dramatic Chronicle, first newspaper in San Francisco to report the assasination of President Abraham Lincoln, became the Daily Morning Chronicle, a four page broadsheet nearly three times its original size.

2: In 1947, with the advent of postwar traffic and parking congestion, the City's first parking meters were installed on Polk St. In 1956, cable car service west of Van Ness Ave. ended when the Washington-Jackson line was replaced by bus service.

7: In 1850, the failure of several businesses in Sacramento, the new state capital, caused worried San Franciscans to withdraw money from local banks in a financial panic lasting several days. In 1907, a mysterious fire destroyed Adolph Sutro's popular Cliff House. In 1962, a raging fire destroyed the original St. Mary's Cathedral located at Van Ness Ave. and O'Farrell St.

9: In 1875, Lotta's Fountain, a timeless fixture on the safety island at Kearney, Geary and Market Sts. was officially dedicated,a loving gift to San Franciscans ciscans from Lotta Crabtree.

11: In 1929, the City's first traffic signals were activated by Mayor James Rolph.

16: In 1974, BART trains began regular scheduled operation through the transbay tube.

17: In 1850, a large fire powered by gusting winds destroyed 125 mostly one-story buildings on several square blocks of downtown S.F. In 1917, thousands of local laborers went on strike to protest poor wages and working conditions.

19: In 1854, Montgomery St. became the City's first permanently paved avenue with cubical blocks of granite. In 1855, the schooner Caroline E. Foote became the first vessel to enter S.F. Bay with a cargo imported directly from Japan.

22: In 1848, the City's first wharf, a 150-foot structure extending into the bay from the foot of Broadway Street, was built. In 1853, the West Coast's first telegraph line, built to provide reports of incoming ships, was opened between the downtown Merchant's Exchange and a station at Pt. Lobos.

26: In 1915, El Camino del Mar,a road located at the City's northeast corner, was opened. A landslide several decades later caused its permanent closure.

28. In 1948, ground was broken for the Youth Guidance Center on Woodside Avenue.

29: In 1923, Steinhardt Aquarium in Golden Gate Park was opened to the public. In 1940, the Golden Gate International Exposition on Treasure Island closed its gates for the second and last time. Treasure Island was leased the following year to the U.S. Government for its naval operations.

Historic Proportions

Match clues to answers
1970

1. These are used for the first time on January 22.
2. World Series champs for 1970.
3. First time this culinary reference used.
4. On December 8, this is stopped by the U.S. Army.
5. You could first count on this.
6. She started flying around in the funny papers.
7. First appearance of this strange looking footwear.
8. *Best Picture* at the Academy Awards on April 7.
9. Gallup Poll found him most admired man in America.
10. April 10 is the *end of the line* for this band.
11. On Sept. 19, first appearance of Ted Baxter on this popular show.
12. On March 31, they packed up and moved to Milwaukee.
13. Champions of the NFL.
14. And they were the last team to win an AFL title.
15. They were singing "ABC."
16. They were champs of the NBA.
17. But he was named NBA *Rookie of the Year*.
18. Top money-making movie of 1970.

A. Baltimore Colts
B. The Beatles
C. Dallas Cowboys
D. Richard Nixon
E. Lew Alcindor
F. New York Knicks
G. Seattle Pilots
H. Jackson 5
I. Mary Tyler Moore Show
J. Airport
K. Earth Shoes
L. Boeing 747
M. Midnight Cowboy
N. Broom Hilda
O. Reveille
P. Baltimore Orioles
Q. Fast food
R. Quartz wrist watch

Answers: 1-L; 2-P; 3-Q; 4-O; 5-R; 6-N; 7-K; 8-M; 9-D; 10-B; 11-I; 12-G; 13-C; 14-A; 15-H; 16-F; 17-E; 18-J.

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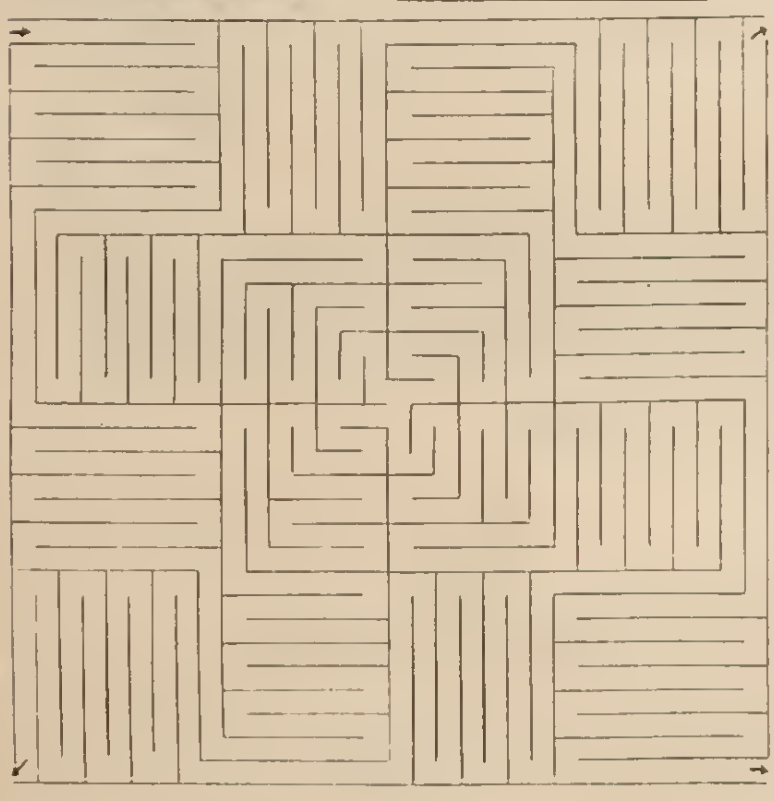

Grapevine Puzzler — Ports of the World

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Spain	Gibraltar	Istanbul	Melbourne	St. Johns
Bombay	Glasgow	Turkey	Australia	Newfoundland
India	Scotland	Jakarta	Montreal	San Francisco
Buenos Aires	Halifax	Indonesia	Canada	California
Argentina	Nova Scotia	Kingston	Naples	Singapore
Calcutta	Hamburg	Jamaica	Italy	Southampton
Capetown	Germany	Lagos	New York	England
South Africa	Havana	Nigeria	Oslo	Vancouver
Cherbourg	Cuba	Lisbon	Norway	Canada
France	Helsinki	Portugal	Panama	Yokohama
Copenhagen	Finland	Manila	Piraeus	Japan

Five Years Ago In the Grapevine

SEPTEMBER 1992

*Violence erupted on Bayshore Boulevard when federal ATF agents bought drugs from a suspect at a local grocery and later arrested him two blocks south following a pursuit.

*Erdi Chen of Woodrow Wilson High School was awarded a Rensselaer Medal for being top junior in science and mathematics.

*Camp Fire Koyuse Club, under the guidance of Anne Kaartunen, continued to offer youth a stable program filled with positive alternatives.

*Visitacion Valley Community Center held a ceremony for the 1992 graduating class from its Child Care Program.

Workshop on Lead

Concerned about the amount of heavy metals such as lead in your soil? Much of the Bay Area's housing contains lead-based paint that eventually spreads lead dust into soil and yards over the years. Lead poisoning can be prevented.

Attend a free workshop to learn about lead hazards in soil, the health effects associated with lead poisoning in young children and pregnant women, and create gardening and landscape methods to improve soil quality while reduce outdoor lead hazards.

Workshops are held:

*Saturday, Sept. 13, 10 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. at the *Garden for the Environment*, 7th Avenue and Lawton Street in the Sunset.

*Saturday, Sept. 27, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Urban Youth Farm on Alemany Boulevard just past Elsworth Street.

Recipe of the Month

APPLESAUCE CAKE

2 cups unbleached flour; 1 cup sugar; 1 tbsp. corn starch; 1 tbsp. cocoa; 1/2 tsp. cinnamon; 1/2 tsp. nutmeg; 1/2 tsp. cloves; 2 tsp. baking soda; 1 tsp. baking powder; 1/2 tsp. salt; 1 cup nuts; 1 cup raisins; 11/2 cup oil; 1 tsp. vanilla; 3 cups hot applesauce.

Sift together all the dry ingredients, add nuts and raisins. Stir in the oil, vanilla and hot applesauce. Pour into a 9 x 13-inch pan. Bake at 350 degrees F for 30 to 40 minutes or until done.

Serves 6.

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32 Old English
34 Screen
35 For Example
36 Collide
38 Detect
40 Utopia
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6 Crayon
7 California town
8 Pick
10 Federal Agency
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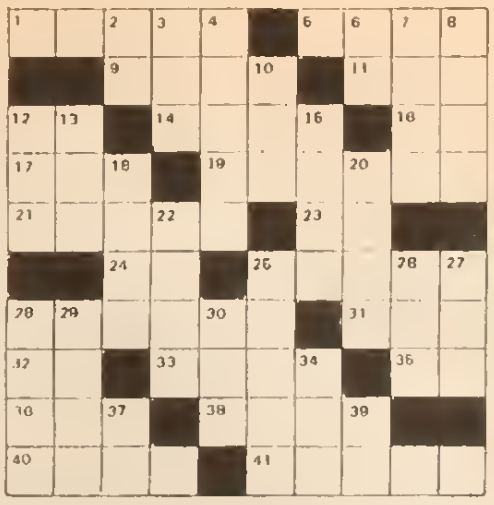

Famous Birthdays

SEPTEMBER

1: Edgar Rice Burroughs (1875); Yvonne DeCarlo (1922); John Entwistle (1944); Gloria Estefan (1958); Ian Fleming (1888); Barry Gibb (1946); Rocky Marciano (1924); Edmund O'Brien (1915); Raymond Scott (1909); Lily Tomlin (1939); Conway Twitty (1933); Don Wilson (1900)

2: Terry Bradshaw (1948); Jimmy Connors (1952); Eric Dickerson (1960); Gogi Grant (1924); Mark Harmon (1951); Linda Purl (1955); Keanu Reeves (1964); Joe Simon (1943)

3: Anne Jackson (1926); Kitty Carlisle (1915); Al Jardine (1942); Alan Ladd (1913); Rula Lenska (1947); Valerie Perrine (1943); Charlie Sheen (1965); Hank Thompson (1925); Mort Walker (1923)

4: Richard Castellano (1934); Mitzi Gaynor (1931); Paul Harvey (1918); Howard Morris (1919); Jennifer Salt (1944); Dick York (1928)

5: William Devane (1937); Cathy Guisewite (1950); Carol Lawrence (1935); Buddy Miles (1946); Bob Newhart (1929); Will Rogers (1879); Raquel Welch (1940)

6: Jane Addams (1860); Lynne Anderson (1947); Jane Curtin (1947); Joseph Kennedy (1880); Jo Anne Worley (1937)

7: Buddy Holly (1936); Chrissie Hynde (1951); Julie Kavner (1951); Eliza Kazan (1909); John Phillip Law (1937); Sonny Rollins (1930); Richard Roundtree (1942)

8: Sid Caesar (1922); Patsy Cline (1932); Verna Lisi (1937); Freddie Mercury (1946); Peter Sellers (1925); Robert A. Taft (1889)

9: Angela Cartwright (1952); Jimmy the Greek (1919); Michael Keaton (1951); Sylvia Miles (1932); Kristy McNichol (1962); Billy Preston (1946); Otis Redding (1941); Cliff Robertson (1925); Colonel Harlan Sanders (1890); Roger Waters (1944)

10: Jose Feliciano (1945); Charles Kuralt (1934); Roger Maris (1934); Arnold Palmer (1929); Fay Wray (1907)

11: Harry Connick, Jr. (1967); Cathryn Damon (1931); Lola Falana (1946); O. Henry (1862); Earl Holliman (1928); Hedy Lamarr (1913); Tom Landry (1924); D.H. Lawrence (1883)

12: Maurice Chevalier (1888); Billy Gilbert (1894); Linda Gray (1941); Margaret Hamilton (1902); Ian Holm (1931); George Jones (1931); Dickie Moore (1925); Maria Muldaur (1943); Peter Scolari (1954); Barry White (1944)

13: Jacqueline Bisset (1944); Claudette Colbert (1905); Gladys George (1904); Walter Reed (1851); Mel Torme (1925)

14: Walter Koenig (1936); Clayton Moore (1914); Sam Neill (1947); Ivan Pavlov (1849)

15: Jackie Cooper (1921); Norm Crosby (1927); Tommy Lee Jones (1946); Merlin Olsen (1940); Penny Singleton (1908); Oliver Stone (1946); William Howard Taft (1857)

16: Lauren Bacall (1924); Peter Falk (1927); Anne Francis (1930); Allen Funt (1914); Linda Henning (1944); Kenny Jones 0; B.B. King (1925); Janis Paige (1922)

17: Anne Bancroft (1931); Elvira (1951); Gabriel Heather (1890); Roddy McDowall (1928); John Ritter (1948); Fee Waybill (1950)

18: Frankie Avalon (1939); Robert Blake (1938); Greta Garbo (1905); Jimmy Rodgers (1933); Jack Warden (1920)

19: Ray Danton (1931); Joan Lunden (1951); David McCallum (1933); Twiggy (1946); Adam West (1928); Paul Williams (1940)

20: Gary Cole (1957); Sophia Loren (1934)

21: Leonard Cohen (1934); Don Felder (1947); Henry Gibson (1935); Larry Hagman (1931); Stephen King (1947); Bill Murray (1950); H.G. Wells (1866)

22: Scott Baio (1961); Shari Belafonte (1954); Debby Boone (1956); John Houseman (1902); Joan Jett (1960); Paul Muni (1895)

23: Ray Charles (1930); Betsy Drake (1923); Euripides (480); Julio Iglesias (1943); Ben E. King (1938); Walter Lippman (1880); Paul Peterson (1945); Walter Pidgeon (1898); Mary Kay Place (1947); Mickey Rooney (1920); Bruce Springsteen (1949)

24: Phil Hartman (1948); Jim Henson (1936); Sheila MacRae (1923); Gerry Marsden (1942); Linda McCartney (1942); Anthony Newley (1931)

25: Michael Douglas (1944); William Faulkner (1897); Mark Hamill (1952); Heather Locklear (1961); Juliet Prowse (1936); Aldo Ray (1926); Christopher Reeve (1952); Phil Rizzuto (1918); Cheryl Tiegs (1947); Robert Walden (1943); Barbara Walters (1931)

26: Melissa Sue Anderson (1962); Donna Douglas (1939); T.S. Elliot (1898); Georgie Fame (1943); Brian Ferry (1945); George Gershwin (1898); Edmund Gwenn (1875); Linda Hamilton (1956); William Hurt (1950); Julie London (1926); Winnie Mandela (1934); Kent McCord (1942); Olivia Newton-John (1948); Patrick O'Neal (1927); Marty Robbins (1925)

27: Randy Bachman (1943); Wiford Brimley (1934); William Conrad (1920); Jayne Meadows (1926); Meat Loaf (1947); Greg Morris (1934)

28: Brigitte Bardot (1934); Al Capp (1909); Peter Finch (1916); Ben E. King (1938); Marcello Mastroianni (1923); William Paley (1901); Helen Shapiro (1946); Ed Sullivan (1902); William Windom (1923)

29: Gene Autry (1907); Virginia Bruce (1910); Anita Ekberg (1931); Mark Farner (1948); Bryant Gumbel (1948); Madeline Kahn (1942); Deborah Kerr (1921); Stanley Kramer (1913); Jerry Lee Lewis (1935); Lech Walesa (1943)

30: Angie Dickinson (1931); Deborah Kerr (1921); Frankie Lymon (1942); Johnny Mathis (1935); Victoria Tennant (1950); Barry Williams (1954)

September 1997

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day Labor Day	2 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo	3	4 11:00am VVCC Senior Council Meeting 7:00pm ROBES meeting	5 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes	6
7	8 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	9 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 4:30pm Sunnydale Tenants Meet 7:00pm El Dorado N.S.C. Meeting	10 6:00pm Executive Park Advisory Committee	11	12 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes	13
14	15 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	16 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 3:30pm Vis Valley Neighborhood Collaborative meets	17	18 3:00pm Beacon Council meets at VVMS	19 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes	20 10:00am Friends of McLaren Park 10:30am VV Task Force Safety Committee
21	22 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day Autumn begins	23 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 4:00pm VVCC Board Meeting	24	25 9:00am USDA Surplus Food Distribution Day at VVCC	26 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes	27 10:30am Vis-Valley Task Force at 50 Raymond
28	29 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	30 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo	Task Force Meeting Sept. 27 VVCC	City Meetings. Aging-1st Wed 9:30 am, Airport-1st & 3rd Tu 3 pm; Arts-1st Mon 3 pm; Education-2nd/4th Tu 7 pm, Health-1st/3rd Tu 3 pm, Housing Authority-2nd/4th Th 4 pm, Human Rights-1st/3rd Th 4:30 pm; Library-1st Tu 5:30 pm, Planning-Th 1:30 pm; Police-Wed 5:30 pm; Port-1st Tu/3rd Wed 4:30 pm; Public Utilities-2nd/4th Tu 2 pm; Rec and Park-3rd Th 2 pm; Social Services-4th Th 9:30 am; Status of Women-4th Th 4pm; Supervisors-Mon 2 pm.		

Community Thanks GES for Carpet Donation

A very special "thank you" to GES of South San Francisco for their generous donation of serviceable carpet that had been formerly used with temporary displays at convention centers. A "thank you" also goes to Magik, Inc. and the Little Hollywood Association for relaying the information about the giveaway.

One thousand, five hundred yards were donated to the Asian community through Marlene Tran and Winnie Tsang of the Visitacion Valley Bilingual Education, Supportive Services and Training (VVBESST). One thousand yards were donated to the Latin community through Ralph Oroquita of the Little Hollywood Committee for low income, single parent, retired or elderly households.

Indian Festival At the Presidio

In celebration of California Indian heritage, the California Indian Museum and Cultural Center will be celebrating its second annual *California Indian Festival* on Sept. 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Fort Winfield Scott Parade Grounds located in the Presidio.

Dance groups will be performing at this free event every hour starting at 11 a.m. Native American crafts and food will be for sale in addition to traditional demonstrations and activities throughout the day.

Your October Horoscope

By Pat Crocker

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) A number of interesting events appeal to you this month. Someone will ask you for a favor. Think twice before giving an answer. You know what's what; follow your heart.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Stop spending so much money. Calm down a bit. Give yourself *and* your wallet a break. Do something special for yourself--excluding all others for a change.

AIRES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20): Keep up on your socializing with friends and doing things you enjoy, as it is tops on your list. However, when no one calls, keep in mind the phone works both ways. Make more of an effort to reach out.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 20): Slow down. You've been running around too much. Sharing good times is important right now--buying materialistic items are *not* as important as you think. Do something creative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The good news is that you will be meeting someone new--perhaps a new friend, perhaps a lover. Whatever, you'll behave a great time. Enjoy yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Get out of the house more. Don't worry about things so much. You've lived this long! I suggest you purchase a lotto ticket--including the numbers 7 and 15.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Focus more on what *you* want. Stop being so concerned about what other people think and want of you. Life is too short to live it for everyone else. Make good choices for yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You crave more quiet time right now. Don't be afraid to ask for it. Someone will be making you a promise. Be sure you truly want what you wish for.! Don't be too hard on yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Allow yourself to get closer to people. Spread your wings--expand your horizons. See more, do more, feel more, welcome more, have more.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov.22): Your career is in the spotlight these days. Things will improve very shortly. Try not to be so bossy. Pay close attention to your health.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): Learn to share more. Whatever has been bugging you lately will soon clear up. Try something new this month. It is a month of change for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Deep discussions in which you share your heart and soul are most enjoyable. Stop spending time and money on people and things that no longer interest you. Stop doing what doesn't work.

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Consumers Care About Their Food

Seven out of ten consumers (69 percent) cited spoilage-related concerns, including bacterial contamination, as the most significant threat to food safety, according to *Trends in the United States Consumer Attitudes and the Supermarket, 1997*, recently released by the Food Marketing Institute.

However, the survey also found consumers are taking action: Almost half of the survey respondents (45 percent) said they are doing something different as a result of the safe-handling labels on meat products. More respondents than in previous years reported washing their hands, cooking properly, not leaving meat out to thaw and washing meat.

With regard to nutrition, more than 90 percent of consumers surveyed indicated that the nutritional content of the foods they eat is important. While fat, salt and cholesterol remain as the top nutritional concerns, there has been a slight decline in the level of concern from last year.

Survey participants indicated that biotechnology and food irradiation are potential answers to issues surrounding food safety and product quality. Two-thirds of shoppers said they would be very or somewhat likely to buy food products such as tomatoes or potatoes that have been modified by biotechnology to taste better or require fewer pesticides.

Food irradiation could be a vital weapon against spoilage-related risks such as bacterial contamination.

More than half (60 percent) responded that they would be very or somewhat likely to buy a food product such as strawberries, poultry, pork or beef if it had been irradiated to kill germs and keep it safer.

The growing popularity of the take-home meal market was also abundantly apparent in this year's *Trends*. Because consumers are craving convenience, one-out-of-five (22 percent) is buying prepared food from the supermarket to eat at home. And, almost all considered these time-saving preparations to be "home-cooked" meals.

Initiated 20 years ago, *Trends* explores consumer attitudes toward the supermarket and other special topics, including supermarket food service, food safety, new products and services, and nutrition. The research is conducted and reported annually.

International Food Information Council

Visitacion Valley and Portola Each Recipient of Recycling Program Award

By exceeding recycling targets, residents of both Visitacion Valley and Portola neighborhoods have won grant funds for summer youth programs. The San Francisco Recyling Program has awarded $1,000 to the Visitacion Valley Task Force and $1,000 to the Palega Recreation Center of Portola as a reward for meeting the *Spring Recycling Challenge*.

Residents of Visitacion Valley and Portola recycled an average of 15 percent more during the campaign, the best of any neighborhoods. Funds for neighborhood youth programs were promised to any of the five neighborhoods that showed a recycling increase of 10 percent during April, May and June. Other participating neighborhoods included Bayview/Hunters Point, Bernal Heights, Potrero Hill, and the Mission.

"We're very pleased with neighborhood support for recycling," said David Assmann, public outreach coordinator for the Recycling Program. "In the first month of the campaign, recycling in Visitacion Valley rose by 8 percent. This increased to more than 18 percent in the second month and reached 19 percent in the final month of the campaign."

Palega Recreation Center of Portola will use their grant funding to purchase new uniforms for youth sports leagues.

Appearances by Billy Graham Will Give Valley Recognition

By Gerry L. Galvan

The religious and faithful around the world could get a much closer look at Visitacion Valley this October when Evangelist Billy Graham will bring his Crusade to the Cow Palace.

Scheduled to appear at three Bay Area locations, the first leg of the tour takes Graham to San Jose on September 26-28, followed by appearances Oct. 9-11 at the Cow Palace and the Oakland Coliseum Oct. 25.26 where he will deliver sermons.

Bay Area Billy Graham Crusade's choice of the Cow Palace as pulpit for this Biblical revival appears to be significant to Visitacion Valley, as the event could help focus to the world some of the Valley's variety of issues and problems.

First, there's the seemingly obvious dearth in faithful search of the Biblical truth among residents and transients. Second, the seemingly dragging solution to the housing issues of Visitacion Valley as demonstrating in the future tearing down and replacement of Geneva Towers. Third, the perennial peace and order issues in the neighborhood.

Undoubtedly, the three day presence of Graham and his group will inject a tremendously meaningful spiritual consciousness among the residents as the Valley is exposed to the whole world.

"I'm sure it will warm your hearts to know that over 1,000 churches representing 10 denominations are involved..." wrote Rev. Mr. Karl L. Overbeek, chairperson on the Crusade's board of directors.

Local church lay leaders such as Ray Esplana, Levi Lacanienta, George Siebel and Gene Arao have applauded the Crusade's Cow Palace selection. "This could be an experience of a lifetime," said Esplana, elder and Sessions committee chairperson at St. James Presbyterian Church.

Internet a Vital Teaching Tool

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use computers and computer networks to: prepare materials for use in the classroom; monitor, guide and assess the progress of their students; consult with experts in a variety of fields; and exchange ideas, experiences and curricular materials with other teachers."

By using the Internet for curriculum enrichment, teachers can assess a multitude of information rapidly. As this study showed, many teachers currently have access to the Internet either at home or in school and, by the millennium, access is expected to increase, making it easier than ever for teachers to plan lessons and use the Internet as a learning tool for students. Then, everyone's load will be a little lighter.

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